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National Democratic Nominations

FOR PRESIDENT,
HORATIO SEYMOUR,
OF NEW YORK.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT,
F. P. BLAIR, JR.,
OF MISSOURI.

Democratic Electors.
FOR THE STATE AT LARGE.
COL. FRANK WOLFORD, of Casey,
HON. JESSE D. BRIGGS, of Carroll.

DISTRICT ELECTORS.
1st Dist.—M. B. BIGGERS, of McCracken.
2nd Dist.—J. C. COOPER, of Kentucky.
3rd Dist.—W. B. W. BUSH, of Simpson.
4th Dist.—A. H. FIELD, of Bell.
5th Dist.—J. C. COOPER, of Obion.
6th Dist.—A. R. CHAMBERS, of Gallatin.
7th Dist.—G. R. CHAMBERS, of Franklin.
8th Dist.—J. C. COOPER, of Crittenden.
9th Dist.—TOSSES M. GREEN, of Mason.

FOR CONGRESS.

BOYD WENCHESTER,
OF LOUISVILLE.

FOR THE STATE SENATE—THIRD DISTRICT.

DR. E. D. STANDIFORD,
Of Jefferson County.

Have They no Interest in the Government?

It is common to see in Radical newspapers stirring allusions to the participation of Southerners in the proceedings of the convention held at New York which brought forward the names of Seymour and Blair in connection with the Presidency and Vice Presidency of the United States. These men, say they, controlled the convention, shaped its platform and dictated what its nominees should be.

Now it is utterly untrue that General Butler controlled the proceedings of the New York convention, shaped its platform or dictated its nominees, and the then members of the party do so little, that all were arranged in accordance with the wishes and pursuant to the deliberations of representatives of the party from all sections of the Union. Democrats from the Kennebec, the Hudson and the Delaware were there in consultation with their brethren from the Potowmack, from the banks of the Ohio, the Mississippi, the great lakes—Democrats from every part of the Union, North and South, East and West, were there, consulting over the condition of the country, and deliberating what was best to do for the salvation of the institutions of liberty and government from the destruction menacing them through Radical legislation, usurpation and tyranny, and the work of the convention was the result of their joint and most serious consultation and labors.

That there were distinguished Southern gentlemen, some of them ex-Confederates, among the delegates thus assembled on an occasion of such grave importance, we cannot and we do not wish to deny.

That some of them took a prominent part in the deliberations, and were most sincerely interested in their position as delegates and their commanding talents and perfect knowledge of the rules regulating parliamentary proceedings. Their free participation in the work of the convention was only a proof of the nationality of the organization and the catholicity of the proceedings. Wade Hampton's "rebel" though he had been, with his chivalrous devotion to the cause of constitutional freedom and his ardent desire for a return to the government of the fathers, was surely entitled to give utterance to his views among those assembled, and to the discussion of the revolutionary, oppressive, and degrading policy of the Radical party.

Forrest, animated as he is by an honest sentiment of loathing for the Radical party and its negro supremacy doctrine, and sincerely wishing for the pacification of the country on the old constitutional basis, was no unassociated, in patriotic counsel, with the Northern delegates, whose motives, like his own, had no more noble source than an earnest regard for the public welfare.

Preston, with his enlarged experience, deeply interested in the cause of the party, whether in the deliberations and proceedings of the convention, and the discussions of the party, had unquestionably the right to voice in determining who should be selected as the candidates of the Democratic party.

The latest, however, that we have received, is that these men, and such as they, joined in the deliberations and proceedings of the convention, it was only as delegates from the Democracy of their respective sections, equal in authority with the delegates from other parts of the Union. They claimed no control or authority, and exerted none save such as their ability and talents gave them among the brothers of their party. What was done by the convention, whether in the adoption of the platform or the nomination, was done as we have said, in accordance with the deliberate wishes of the representatives of the party, from every State and every section of the Union.

The spectacle presented by the convention, after the sectional bigotry and animosity of the past few years, was exceedingly refreshing. It was the most perfectly national alike of sentiment and organization. How great was the contrast presented by it with the Radical Convention which met at Chicago. In the latter body, it is true there were, playing prominent parts, a few men destined to be Southern leaders, and who were sent to the South until they were sent there by Yankee Radicals as political emisaries!—wretched apostates, who, having been most extreme and intolerant secessionists, were now willing, for a personal consideration, to consign their section to misery and degradation! Radical politicians may utter gibes and taunts upon the alleged Southern influence in the Democratic Convention to their hearts' content, but one Wade Hampton, for every attribute of patriotic and manly virtue, is worth more than all the Joe Browns, Hamiltons and Holdens that ever deserted the cause of the South and the Union, and exposed that of the Radical party and its influence.

Whatever influence was exerted by delegates from the Southern States in the New York Convention was exerted on the side of prudence and moderation. Even if they had been disposed to such a thing, the men of the South had too great a stake in the success of the Democratic party to commit any mistake by reason of going to extremes. With them Radical success was equivalent to utter ruin and the depopulation of the South so far as the white race is concerned. Under such circumstances, we say, whatever influence they exercised was at the expense of the South and the Union, and exposed that of the Radical party and its influence.

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Dr. George H. Spangler, of the Treasury Department, gave three hundred dollars last Tuesday toward the Radical convention fund for carrying the election of Grant and Colfax, and the subscriptions of the clerks of the Department swelled the subscription to nine hundred and fifty dollars. Spangler, it is remembered, is a great stickler for the Radical policy, and, in his case, it is proposed to benefit the people into giving to it. Indeed, if such men as he, who have suffered to control the country it would not be long before, like the degenerate Romans, they would openly put the highest offices up for sale.

It is enough with the Radicals that Southern men, and Southern generals, par-

icipated in the proceedings of the convention. Ignoring the fact that these who were formerly the most extreme secessionists assisted in the work of the Chicago convention, and helped to bring out Grant and Colfax, Radical editors spoke of the New York convention as a rebel affair. Well, and if we were so the only ones that comprised representatives from the South as well as the North, would it not be a subject of contempt? Are they not really unifiers? Are the men who see their State reduced, from prosperity to degradation by Radical opposition to be no more than as entitled to protest again so great an injury? Are those who live in cities, strangers here can study the morning Courier while at breakfast. The Democratic convention was the only one that comprised representatives from the South as well as the North, would it not be a subject of contempt? Are they not really unifiers? Are the men who see their State reduced, from prosperity to degradation by Radical opposition to be no more than as entitled to protest again so great an injury? Are those who live in cities, strangers here can study the morning Courier while at breakfast.

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